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SUBJECT: WELFARE OF DIALLO TELLI FAMILY

REF: CONAKRY 2044

UN RESREP EUGENE ADOBOLI (TOGOLESE), A FRIEND OF DIALLO TELLI SINCE BOTH SERVED IN GUINEAN UN MISSION 1959 AND 60, CALLED ON AMBASSADOR 18 OCTOBER TO DISCUSS PLIGHT OF MRS. TELLI. SHE AND CHILDREN (BOYS 22 AND 24, GIRL 14 BORN IN NYC) HAVE BEEN TOLD THEY MUST VACATE THEIR HOME. TELLI'S POV HAS BEEN EXPROPRIATED. GOG TOLD MRS. TELLI SHE MUST LEAVE CONAKRY AND LIVE IN REMOTE TOWN OF MALI ON SENEGALESE BORDER. (FAMILIES OF ALIOUNE DRAME AND ALPHA OUMAR BARRY ARE REPORTEDLY ALSO BEING EXILED TO COUNTRYSIDE.)

2. MRS. TELLI HAS HISTORY OF DEPRESSIONS AND PSYCHIATRIC PROBLEMS AND IS UNDER MEDICAL CARE. SHE IS SEEKING STATEMENT FROM PHYSICIAN TO PERMIT HER TO REMAIN IN CONAKRY. IF THIS FAILS, SHE HAS INFORMED ADOBOLI, SHE WILL CONSIDER SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM WITH DAUGHTER IN US. ADOBOLI WAS SOUNDING OUT US REACTION TO THIS IDEA.

3. AMBASSADOR INFORMED ADOBOLI THAT ASIDE FROM ACUTE POLITICAL PROBLEM INVOLVED IN MRS. TELLI SEEKING HELP FROM GOVERNMENT HER HUSBAND'S CONFESSION FALSELY ACCUSED OF HAVING SUPPORTED CONSPIRACY, US EMBASSY
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CONAKRY WOULD HAVE NO REPEAT NO PRACTICAL ABILITY TO

ASSIST TELLI FAMILY IN TIGHTLY CONTROLLED GUINEAN POLICE
STATE EVEN IF US DESIRED TO DO SO. AMBASSADOR URGED
ADOBOLI TO DISCOURAGE MRS. TELLI FROM THIS ENTIRELY
UNREALISTIC IDEA.

4. COMMENT: SHOULD MRS. TELLI IN HER DISTRAUGHT
CONDITION APPROACH EMBASSY FOR SUCCOR, EMBASSY SEES
NO ALTERNATIVE TO REBUFFING HER, SAD AS THIS CIRCUM-
STANCE WOULD BE FROM THE HUMAN STANDPOINT.
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